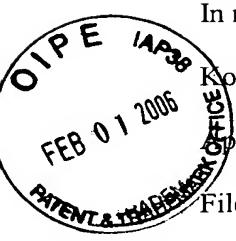


**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re the Application of

Kohei YOSHIDA et al.

Application No.: 10/724,154

Filed: December 1, 2003

For: EXHAUST EMISSION CONTROL  
APPARATUS FOR INTERNAL  
COMBUSTION ENGINE

Group Art Unit: 3748

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**LARGE ENTITY REQUEST FOR  
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.114, Applicants hereby request continued examination.

Applicants further request entry and consideration of the attached submission.

The above-identified application was filed on or after June 8, 1995. Thus, entry is proper under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(d).

Attached hereto is our check no. 175974 in the amount of  \$790.00 as payment of the fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this page are enclosed.

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